

# THE FEDERAL COUNCIL OF THE CHURCHES

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## SPEAKS

### CONSTITUENT BODIES OF FEDERAL COUNCIL:

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National Baptist Convention  
Congregational and Christian  
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Evangelical Church  
Evangelical and Reformed  
Church  
Friends  
Methodist Episcopal Church

African M. E. Church  
African M. E. Zion Church  
Colored M. E. Church in  
America  
Methodist Protestant Church  
Moravian Church  
Presbyterian Church in U.S.A.  
Reformed Church of America  
Reformed Episcopal Church  
Seventh Day Baptist Churches

United Presbyterian Church  
National Council of the  
Protestant Episcopal Church  
(Cooperating Agency)  
Syrian Antiochian Orthodox  
Church of North America  
United Brethren Church  
United Church of Canada  
United Lutheran Church

### SOME FACTS ABOUT THE COUNCIL 78 SPEAK FOR 22,000,000 PROTESTANTS

"It is the greatest force making for a united Church in America" says a Federal Council official bulletin, adding that "the 24 constituent denominations elect all the members of the Council, about 350, and all the members of its Executive Committee. Council members meet in biennial session to decide questions of policy and program. The Executive Committee of 78 members in the interim directs all phases of the work". The Federal Council was founded in 1908.

*(All Quotations Used In This Document Are From Official Sources)*

"The Federal Council of Churches very well represents liberal Protestantism, not evangelical Protestantism. The Federal Council more often speaks for the Communistic shibboleth than the Gospel one . . . It has the backing of the extreme socialistic groups throughout the land."—The Rev. William Ward Ayer, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, New York City, as quoted in the New York Times, March 22nd, 1937.

The Council's President, making his annual report (1933) said: "Some idea of the importance of the Council will be gained when I remind you that the actual membership of its constituent bodies includes almost one-fifth of the population of this country and Canada, and that its general constituency embraces more than one-half of the people in these two great commonwealths . . . The Federal Council today includes twenty-five of the great denominations with a membership of 22,000,000".

"The radical affiliation of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ is a subject of extensive discussion. Apparently, in lieu of primarily promoting Christianity among its several members it more represents a huge political machine and appears to intermeddle with radical politics. Its directorate indicates that it interlocks with many of the most extreme radical organizations."—From sworn testimony before the Dies Committee.

# THE FEDERAL COUNCIL'S INTERNATIONALISTS DREAM OF WORLD SUPER POLITICAL MACHINE

## "World Political Organization"

"We urge that Christian people in all lands make every possible effort to bring about a world political organization.

"It must now be clear that no nation has a right to be a law unto itself, or the sole judge of its own cause. The United States for its own sake and for the sake of humanity will have to renounce its political and economic isolation and identify itself with other nations in the creation of a world government.

"Modern statism implemented by policies of unfettered national sovereignty, is a form of secularism against which we set ourselves.

"We call upon our people to mobilize the spiritual resources of our church in support of an international system of government.

"In taking this position we subscribe to the declaration of the Oxford Conference (1937) that 'a true conception of international order requires a recognition of the fact that the State, whether it admits it or not, is not autonomous, but is under the ultimate governance of God'.

"The Churches, which in themselves transcend national frontiers, have a peculiar responsibility to help expand men's loyalties to include the whole number of the children of our Heavenly Father, and the world government required by their common needs".

—Philadelphia Conference.

## "Necessity of World Government"

"Once the proposal for world government is made, it is virtually inevitable that most persons begin by asking questions about specific problems, such as methods of representation, the actual degree of authority to be ceded to the international agency either by existing nations or by their peoples, its methods of securing its budget, the scope of the so-called common concerns over which the world state would be given authority, and so on.

"It is most desirable that experts in every field should begin working upon pertinent sections of tentative drafts of a world constitution. The Christian forces of the world, having solemnly pronounced judgment upon unqualified national sovereignty, as they did at Oxford, should next declare with equal explicitness the corollary: that there must be a world authority to which alone the necessary aspects and degrees of sovereignty can be ceded by nations.

"World government, facilitating adjustments between nations, and maintaining order through peaceful change, is required today as never before".—from Federal Council Pamphlet, published in 1938.

## Political Pressure with a Vengeance

"As Christians, it is important that we become acutely aware of the legislative action of our government.

"As a practical means of acquainting Congress with the will of Christian citizens, we suggest:

"a. Participation in national peace organizations which do legislative work . . .

"b. Promotion of sustained discussion on specific legislation and the background for such legislation:

"c. Communication with Congressmen to discover their position on proposed legislation.

"d. Formation of a legislative committee if one is not already functioning in the community to keep in touch with measures of national and state importance . . .

"e. All candidates should be visited in an election year for mutual discussion of their position on peace and social issues. The record of those running for re-election should be learned in advance. Reports of interviews should be published through the press, public meetings and in other ways".

—Philadelphia Conference.

Sponsored by the Federal Council of Churches, through its Department of International Justice and Goodwill, a "National Study Conference on the Churches and the International Situation" was held in Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 27-29, 1940. The published report of the findings and recommendations of the conference, from which quotations on this page are taken, carries this official statement:

"The Executive Committee of the Federal Council of Churches received with appreciation the Message from the Philadelphia Study Conference, authorized its publication and commended it to the churches for their study and ACTION".

## International Wealth-Sharing

"We express the conviction that the Church in its efforts to abolish war, should stress all effective means, both domestic and international where—by basic economic needs may be met and a more equitable distribution of economic goods achieved. . . .

"Closely related to the problem of world economic cooperation is the question of colonies. The period of pioneer and colonial expansion is passing. We concur in the judgment of the Geneva Conference of lay experts and ecumenical leaders convened by the Provisional Committee of the World Council of Churches (1939) that 'the task of colonial government is no longer

one of exclusive national concern or national interest, but that it must be regarded as a common task of mankind, to be carried out in the interests of the colonial people by the most appropriate form of organization'.

"We believe that the principle of eventual freedom for all peoples is not only the recognition of an essential right but is also a prerequisite to the creation of their sense of justice and goodwill without which we cannot hope to rid the world of war".

—Philadelphia Conference.

## Conscientious Objectors

"The Churches should make available machinery for registering conscientious objectors in their local churches and with their national bodies. There is a growing feeling that the Churches should challenge the principle of military conscription, that the exercise of conscience on the part of its citizens may be protected.

"In seeking to uphold by legal means the civil rights of conscientious objectors, the Church does so as a means of maintaining the religious freedom which God-fearing men must and will act upon, no matter who seeks to deny it, and the civil rights basis to democracy.

"In the case of some conscientious objectors their services may take a non-cooperative form, such as a refusal to take part in any measures designed to help the war system in any way. In such cases it should be the part of the Church to give understanding and support to the group whose conscience led them to make their protest in these terms.

"This seminar declares its strong conviction that the handling of the conscientious objector should be a matter of civilian control at all times".

—Philadelphia Conference.

## "Twilight of Capitalism"

The League for Industrial Democracy, which propagandizes for a Socialist America, is represented among churchmen by one of its by-products, the Church League for Industrial Democracy—Bishop E. L. Parsons, president, and Bishop McConnell, vice-president. In a statement, Bishop Parsons said:

"A new order is coming whether we like it or not. We are living in the twilight of the gods of capitalism. We cannot help the coming night, but we can do our part in trying to make the new order, whose dawn a not far distant generation will welcome.

"There are many hateful and unchristian things in Russian communism, but there is at least something in a society in which youth is brought up to serve the community rather than to seek success in the form in which we commonly think of it in America today."

**PATRIOTIC AMERICANS**, both church members and non-church members, will not submit to any proposal to "deliver" this Republic—the United States of America—and its people, to any group of scheming internationalists; they will resist, to the utmost, any fantastic "new world order" program, that would mean the destruction of their liberties, and the confiscation of their material goods which, as individuals, they acquired through initiative and industry, under the protection of our sound and sensible American system of society and government.

# FEDERAL COUNCIL COMMUNIST-AIDING, SAYS THE U. S. NAVAL INTELLIGENCE

Below is a copy, from the Congressional Record, of the U. S. Naval Intelligence report which has proved a real contribution to National Defense. However, it gave offense to the Federal Council of Churches.

The document, as reproduced herewith, should be read and re-read, and then preserved for frequent reference in the future.

## Roosevelt Gag Protects Radicals

The New York Times of Dec. 7, 1935, on page one, said:

"Following a conference with representatives of religious organizations, President Roosevelt has instructed the Army and Navy to make no comments on any civilian organization or its policies without his specific consent, it was declared today by the National Conference of Jews and Christians.

"The conference was immediately concerned with a memorandum prepared by the Naval Intelligence Section embodying criticism of the **FEDERAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES** and other civilian organizations, today's announcement said."

The National Conference of Jews and Christians was set up originally by the Federal Council of Churches and, only in recent years, has it functioned as a separate group. There still exists a close bond between the two organizations.

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### THE NAVY

Mr. MAVERICK. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to extend my remarks in the RECORD and include therein a statement from the Navy and a certain comment from a newspaper thereon.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

I am presenting the following literary efforts of the United States Navy, signed by the name of a man who appears to be an officer.

#### MEMORANDUM—COMMUNIST-AFFILIATED AND COMMUNIST-AIDED ORGANIZATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 1, 1935

From a comprehensive survey of Communist activities in the United States at the present time a classification of organizations active for the Communist cause is as follows:

A. Organizations directly related to the Communist International, and a part of it, such as the Communist Party of the United States, the Young Communist League, and the Young Pioneers.

B. Organizations directly affiliated with the Communist Party, by reasons of having been organized and controlled by the party, and those which, although organized by non-Communist personnel, are guided and controlled by Communists. There are 222 organizations in this category. Some of the strongest are:

(a) American League Against War and Fascism. This organization has a youth section which is active in the schools and colleges in cooperation with the National Student League and the Student League for Industrial Democracy.

(b) Friends of the Soviet Union.

(c) International Labor Defense. This is a defense organization used by the Communist Party. It is districted in the United States much as is the Communist Party. Its districts are the same geographically. The International Labor Defense immediately sends representatives to the defense of any Communist who may be brought to trial for an offense.

(d) The National Student League. While some of the members of this league are not Communists, the organization keeps the Communist Party in touch with its activities and receives advice and guidance from the party through liaison by party members.

(e) Trade Union Unity League. A Communist affiliated organization which has general supervision over the "red" or "industrial" unions. As those unions are dissolved by placing their membership in the American Federation of Labor and other regular labor unions, as required by the Central Committee Plenum (C. P. U. S. A.) of January 15-16, 1935, its place will be taken by a commission called the Trade Union Commission, which will take over the duties of the Trade Union Unity Committee, the governing body of the T. U. U. L. Only those which have been active on the Pacific coast are listed.

(f) Workers' Libraries: "These, of course, are not organizations, but as they are being used as a means of spreading propaganda a word should be said about them. In all Communist headquarters offices 'book shops' have been established for the purpose of selling the Daily Worker, Western Worker, the Communist, and other Communist official publications, as well as innumerable propaganda publications. This is a Communist Party activity. In connection with these 'book shops' there have been set up in many places 'workers' libraries.' These libraries contain copies of Communist publications, which are thus made available to members of the Communist Party and affiliated organizations and to sympathizers. Some of these libraries are operated as circulating libraries. In some regular 'forums' are operated. That is the case in the library in Los Angeles at 230 South Spring Street."

(g) Workers' schools: These schools are set up at practically every section headquarters in the United States. They are direct activities of the Communist Party. They teach the "theory and practice of communism" and many other subjects which are ex-

pected to aid the party in carrying out its objectives. They do not touch general educational subjects. During strikes the pupils are given practical demonstration of how the principles taught in the school should be applied by sending them into the picket lines. While the majority of the students are probably members of the Young Communist League, admissions are not restricted to them or to members of the Communist Party. The San Francisco school is at 463 Hayes Street; Los Angeles, 230 South Spring Street; Oakland, 645 Twenty-second Street; Sacramento, 1529 Eighth Street; San Diego, 852 Eighth Avenue. Most of these schools carry on "open forums" in connection with the courses.

C. Organizations which while not openly advocating the "force and violence" principles of the Communists give aid and comfort to the Communist movement and party. Among the strongest of these organizations are:

(a) American Civil Liberties Union: This organization is too well known to need description. The larger part of the work carried on by it and its various branches does undoubtedly materially aid Communist objectives.

(b) The Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America: This is a large radical, pacifist organization. It probably represents 20,000,000 Protestants in the United States. However, its leadership consists of a small radical group which dictate its policies. It is always extremely active in any matter against national defense.

(c) The National Council for the Prevention of War. A very radical pacifist organization with headquarters in Washington, D. C. Frederick J. Libby, director. Through their publications they reach every part of the country, disseminating radical, pacifist propaganda through churches, schools and libraries.

(d) Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. A women's radical, pacifist organization. It is closely affiliated with the American Civil Liberties Union, and the American League Against War and Fascism.

There are 144 organizations in this category.

Communist-mindedness. A major problem confronting the world today is not only the actual Communist with his philosophy of hatred, destruction, and revolt; but individuals, supposedly intelligent, occupying positions above the average in life, whose names and works carry with them a certain amount of prestige, and who, although themselves not subscribing to the Communist program, philosophy, and doctrines, pick certain sections of the Communist program to promote, uphold and espouse. Such individuals we term as "Communist-minded."

These Communist-minded individuals, each with a certain more or less extensive following, who are blindly led because of lack of individual intelligence and intellect, and devoid of the very necessary quality of being able to think and determine things for themselves, form an ever-growing, highly organized, vociferous minority that is wholly misrepresentative of mass public opinion, but carries considerable weight because of its blatant meanness. This moral and financial interest brought to bear in behalf of communism, based upon humanitarianism and many other varieties of "isms", is undoubtedly the most potent influence for disruption, discontent, and unrest that we must contend with today. By this we do not mean that contentment means stopping of all progress, but we do mean that discontentment should be expressed in terms of constructiveness and not destructiveness.

Therefore, the Robert Morss Lovetts, Roger Baldwins, Clarence Darrows, Arthur Fishers and a long string of Communist-minded intellectuals (Harry F. Wards, Jane Addamses, Frederick J. Libbys, Dorothy Detzers, Kirby Pages, Corliss Lamonts, George S. Counts, Sherwood Eddys, and William Kilpatrick) that are busily engaged in spreading the philosophy of discontent destructively, not constructively, are the primary factors in the situation which loyal Americans must contend with for the preservation of American ideals, traditions, institutions, and Government. These are the "false revolutions" too lacking in intestinal fortitude to go all the way with communism, but who stand by and urge the Communist to do his worst, and provide him with protection, sympathy, and defense while he commits the overt act they have not had the courage to commit themselves.

(Signature.)

INTELLIGENCE DEPARTMENT OF NAVY

# WAKE UP AMERICA! A V

## Preacher-Politicians Propagandis

**1** **METHODIST FEDERATION FOR SOCIAL SERVICE:** "An organization" according to its Bulletin, "which seeks to abolish the profit system in order to develop a classless society based upon the obligation of mutual services"—which is a polite way of describing Communism. Its Social Questions Bulletin laments the fact that "professional patriots are seeking laws to prevent even the discussion of the overthrow of government by force and violence". One of its joint-Secretaries was Winifred Chappell who served, at the same time, on a national Communist Campaign Committee and signed a manifesto endorsing the Communist platform. In public addresses and in published articles, she advised the Youth of America to join the Army in order to be able to sabotage the Nation's defenses from within! She is now an instructor in a Communist College. The other Secretary, the Rev. Harry F. Ward, alien-born Marxist leader, was, until recently, chairman of both the Communist American League for Peace and Democracy and the Communist-defending American Civil Liberties Union. Ward has long been regarded as the Chief of Staff of the friends of Communism in America. There is no subversive movement in this country in which he does not wield an influence. Bishop Francis J. McConnell is president of the Federation.

**2** **SOCIALIST PARTY:** Standard dictionaries make no distinction between Socialism and Communism, insofar as ultimate ends are concerned. Socialists seek to take over the government by legislative means, if possible, resorting to a throat-cutting revolution only as a last resort. Many Communist leaders of today got their training in the Socialist Party. Socialists and Communists cooperate in many specific activities on a United Front basis. Norman Thomas, former clergyman, and perennial Socialist candidate for a major public office, has, for years, worked in close harmony with Federal Council of Churches officers in non-church movements. Earl Browder, Gen'l. Sec'y., Communist Party, explains: "The program of the Socialist Party and the program of the Communist Party have a common origin in the document written by Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels in 1847-1848, known as the Communist Manifesto. There is no difference, so far as the program is concerned, in final aim. The differences between the Socialist and Communist parties are gradually being eliminated, and one unified Socialist or Communist movement is emerging."

**3** **FELLOWSHIP OF RECONCILIATION:** Radical-pacifist group using Christian terms to spread communistic propaganda. Circulated petitions for and played a leading role in bringing about the recognition of Russia, in 1933. Is a section of the ultra-radical War Resisters International which, according to its literature, "believes a new social order can and will be established . . . it believes these changes can be accomplished by revolutionary uprisings . . . Every War Resister desires to take part in the struggle". Is branch of International Fellowship of Reconciliation, which says "we must work for a radical reorganization of society" and insists that "the class war is a fact". The American branch was set up by Norman Thomas, Harry F. Ward, etc., in 1917. Propagandizes for "left wing Christianity" and against military training and National Defense.

**4** **LEAGUE FOR INDUSTRIAL DEMOCRACY:** Militant Socialist; for 35 years headed by Robert Morris Lovett, who has been active in Communist organizations, and has said that if America again "goes to war" that: "I shall take no part myself and shall do my best to defend others who take a similar stand". The LID propagandizes for "a new social order, based on production for use and not for profit". It joined forces with the Communist Party and set up the American Student Union which was a merger of the student section of the League with the Student section of the Communist party. Its position best expressed by Paul Blanchard, former field secretary, who said: "I am sometimes ashamed that I am an American. Yes, I am red and pretty red . . . the things that happened in Russia are bound to happen in America. The working class must have more power. They can't get that power unless they take it from somebody else. We must honestly try to abolish the superstition of patriotism. I am an American only by accident of birth".

**5** **ANTI-DIES COMMITTEE BLOC:** A United Front of Communists, Socialists, radical clergymen and educators has, ever since its formation, waged a relentless campaign against the Dies Committee on Un-American Activities. The Anti-Dies "bloc" has assailed the committee with a continuous barrage of abuse through petitions, radio protests, mass meetings, etc. Failing to kill the committee, the "bloc" has attempted to "smear" individual members of the committee and to nullify the results of its good work. Examine the names in the center of this Chart and learn who among the Federal Council of Churches leaders have cooperated with these groups. Rev. Dr. Theodore Graebner, President of Concordia College, a distinguished clergyman, testifying before the Dies Committee, said that the Federal Council had "meddled incessantly in political affairs, invariably sponsoring the ideals of radical groups". The Federal Council, meeting in Buffalo, in biennial session, sent a statement to the Dies Committee denying the allegation, saying such a statement "grossly misrepresents the spirit and activity" of the Council. To date, the Council has NOT approved of the Dies Committee.

**6** **PEOPLE'S LOBBY:** Its Slogan, according to its officers is: "To balance consumption and production by eliminating profit". Benjamin C. Marsh, executive secretary of People's Lobby, writes: "Its program includes: Increased taxation of the rich; socialization of ground rent and reduction of interest rates as steps toward the elimination of profits; public ownership of banking, natural resources, transportation, communication and all basic industries; government marketing and government housing corporations; international cooperation through increased freedom of exchange and allocation of national resources and raw materials". This program is in accord with the Socialist-Communist system of Russia.

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Rev. L. O. Hartman, Boston — (1) (10) (11)  
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**7** **COMMITTEE ON MILITARISM IN EDUCATION:** Cooperate with Socialist and Communist groups in waging relentless campaign against R. O. T. C. and military training in schools and colleges. Received \$12,400 from the "Red" Garland Fund to propagandize against military training in schools. Many of its officers are officers and leaders of the Federal Council of Churches. This group is listed by Walter S. Steele, in testimony before Dies Committee, as one of the "International Sections of World Revolutionary Youth Movement along with Young Communist League, American Student Union, World Youth Congress, etc. It opposes National Defense work of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Reserve Officers Association, etc.

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**10 AMERICAN LEAGUE FOR PEACE AND DEMOCRACY:** This organization was set up on instructions from Moscow and formerly was known as the American League Against War and Fascism. It claims to have disbanded early in 1940 at the time it was said to "spend" \$7,500,000. It was headed by Browder, secretary of the Communist Party. One of the League's original vice-chairmen, testified before the Dies Committee, under oath, that the League was a "transmission belt" for Communist propaganda. The Dies Committee later branded it a Communist organization. Bishop Francis J. McConnell was a contributor to its official magazine and his daughter was a member of its Women's Department. Rep. Harry F. Byrd also charged that Bishop McConnell was national chairman of the League.

**12 CHURCH LEAGUE FOR INDUSTRIAL DEMOCRACY:** An offshoot of the League for Industrial Democracy. Distributes LID literature, in addition to its own. "We are people" says its own executive secretary, the Rev. William B. Spofford, "who are classed all the way from liberals to Communists". The CLID is a radical pressure group operating within the churches to agitate against Constitutional government and to promote the system patterned after that of Soviet Russia. Its statement of principles says: "We face the fact that the present system is rotten and is ready and anxious to discover how it can best be useful in forwarding the New Order . . . we intend to assist in recruiting candidates for the ministry as shall enter it with desire for socialized leadership". Dr. Spofford, in the past, has served as Acting Chairman of the Communist American League for Peace and Democracy, during the absence of Dr. Harry F. Ward. CLID field secretaries function at the same time in the same capacity for the ALP&D and the United Christian Conference. Dr. Spofford was a signer of the radical manifesto, of the Church Socialism League, and was a prominent member of the present economic and social disorder," etc. This League was absorbed by the Church League for Industrial Democracy.

## Temple Gates

### **Churches Officers, Leaders and Members, and a Few Their Names as Officers, Members or Sponsors.**

Dr. Edward C. Lindeman, N. Y. C. — (3) (5) (6) (9) (10) (11) (15) (16)  
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 Rev. A. Clayton Powell, N. Y. C. — (3) (5) (10) (11) (15)  
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 Dr. D. Searles, N. Y. C. — (3) (10) (13) (14)  
 Rev. Guy Emery Shippler, N. C. — (5) (10) (11) (12) (13)  
 Rev. Willard E. Shelton, Mo. — (2) (11)  
 Dr. Ralph W. Sockman, N. Y. C. — (3) (14) (15)  
 Mrs. Mary Kingsbury Simkovich, N. Y. C. — (11) (12) (15)  
 Rev. William B. Spofford, N. Y. C. — (2) (8) (5) (10) (11) (12)  
 (16) (8)  
 Rev. Alva W. Taylor, Tenn. — (3) (13) (14)  
 Rev. Worth M. Tippy, N. Y. C. — (1)  
 Rev. Ernest F. Tittle, Ill. — (1) (2) (3) (4) (11) (13) (14) (16) (9)  
 Dr. Henry P. Van Dusen, N. Y. C. — (2) (9) (13)  
 Dr. Walter Van Kirk, N. Y. C. — (9) (14) (15)  
 Dr. Harry F. Ward — (1) (3) (10) (11) (16) (8)  
 Dean Luther A. Weigle, Conn. — (9) (11) (13)  
 L. Hollingsworth Wood, N. Y. C. — (3) (8) (9) (13) (16)  
 Dr. Henry L. Willett, Ill. — (2) (9)  
 Dr. Mary E. Woolley, N. Y. C. — (3) (5) (9) (11) (15) (16)  
 Winnifred Wyckal, N. Y. C. — (2) (7) (13) (15)

to Organizations Shown on This Chart)

**SISTERS LEAGUE:** affiliate of the revolutionary Communist Women's International. Its pledge "I declare it to be my part in war, offensive or civil, whether it is making or handling munitions, contributing to war loans, or the purpose of setting free." One of its slogans and women who have no support to any war." The League controlled Communist-dominated women's organizations of Communist-dominated countries.

**11 NORTH AMERICAN COMMITTEE TO AID SPANISH DEMOCRACY:** Originally set up by the American League for Peace and Democracy, as a subsidiary. Its purpose was to spread propaganda and raise money for the Communist forces in Spain. Later, the committee became a housing house for numerous groups organizing for the United States in the interest of Red Spain. Bishop McConnell was chairman of the Committee which, according to records of the State Department, raised millions of dollars for Spain's reds and their activities. Officers and members of the Federal Council who cooperated with the Committee were served as "window-dressing" for many of its activities as shown on the accompanying Chart.

**16** AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION: "A supporter of all subversive movements; its propaganda is detrimental to the State" said a New York Legislative Committee on Subversive Activities. A Congressional Committee identified the ACLU as being "closely allied with Communist propaganda in the United States, and fully 90 per cent of its efforts are on behalf of Communists." The House Committee reported "the propaganda of this organization is dictated and dominated by Communists and Communist sympathizers." The ACLU, for 20 years, was headed by Dr. Harry F. Ward. It still has Communists as members, though it publicly denies it. It has tried to eliminate Communists from its official board. However, Roger Baldwin, its president, said: "The ACLU is the goal" remains as its director. Study the list of Federal Council of Churches members and officers, in this chart, and note that several of them are associated with the American Civil Liberties Union. In fact, the charge has been made, so often, that the ACLU and Federal Council had an "interlocking directorate" in its governing boards, that the Council has been forced to make a public denial.

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# RADICAL IDEAS, NOT ENEMY BOMBS REAL THREAT TO THE UNITED STATES

## Soviet Union Is Praised

The Daily Worker, official Communist Party organ, of Jan. 7, 1936, published the following, from Memphis, Tenn.:

"The Methodist Young People's Conference, with 5,000 delegates in attendance, took a sharp turn to the LEFT in its closing sessions. The Soviet Union was highly praised by Dr. Ivan Lee Holt, president of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America.

"Dr. Kirby Page, noted fighter for peace, told the convention that young people should resist the compulsory Reserve Officers Training Corps—even if it means expulsion from college.

"Dr. Holt defended the Soviet Union from attack. He declared that the aim of the dictatorship of the proletariat in Russia 'was the establishment of a better life. The Russian government does not purport to do this through exploiting someone else, but through raising the general level of all. It is difficult to find youth anywhere in this world more devoted to the cause of Christ than you'll find the youth of Russia devoted to Stalin and his new social order'.

"He warned the other generation that 'among most of the youth of the world today there is a desire for a change, many preferring revolution. Youth is willing to die for a new order. We adults have made our mistakes. . . We have given youth a broken down machine and no tools'.

"Dr. Page was emphatic in his position on the R. O. T. C. He made it plain that militarism in colleges and high schools are a force of evil. 'If we had four or five hundred students expelled for refusing to wear the army uniform', he said, 'we wouldn't have compulsory military training in our schools'.

## Council Favors Intermarriage

"Information Service", of Nov. 13, 1926, weekly publication of the Federal Council, reporting a Council Departmental conference, said:

"The conferences in almost every session faced frankly their personal attitudes toward men and women of different races—in business and social relations. Nor was the question of intermarriage evaded. That was considered at length. It was felt that some pioneer spirits should take advanced steps in that direction. But in doing so both parties to the marriage should realize that, in general they and their children would have to face many difficulties. After the discussion on intermarriage the group concluded that if the individuals concerned fully realize the difficulties involved, mixed marriages may be socially highly desirable'.

## Federal Council Presidents

**DR. GEORGE A. BUTTRICK (1940)**—English-born; Emergency Peace Campaign speaker; signer, with many Federal Council leaders, of statement denouncing Catholic Church of Spain, and defending Communist regime of Spain. The statement, published at Communist Party printing establishment, is still sold (May, 1940) at Communist bookstores.

**REV. EDGAR DEWITT JONES (1937)**—Emergency Peace Campaign sponsor; co-signer, with several other Federal Council leaders, of the Booklet, "SPAIN", which sought to justify killing, by Communist-led firing squads, of priests and nuns in Spain. The document was sold in Communist bookstores and distributed free, by Amkino, official Soviet Union film agency, to promote Communist propaganda motion picture.

**REV. ALBERT W. BEAVEN (1933)**—Emergency Peace Campaign sponsor; signer, with 44 others, of National Religion and Labor Foundation (see Chart) letter to President Roosevelt, urging him to go farther to the LEFT and Socialize America. Letter said, in part: "We hold that there can be no recovery so long as the nation depends on palliative legislation inside the capitalist system".

**BISHOP FRANCIS J. McCONNELL (1933)**—See Chart for a few of his radical connections. His associations in left wing movements read like a Communist Party roll of honor.

**DR. IVAN LEE HOLT (1936)**—Emergency Peace Campaign sponsor; see Daily Worker article, on this page, for Dr. Holt's defense of Communists.

## "Build Here an Order Like in Soviet Union"

On the letterhead of the National Religion and Labor foundation (see Chart), and signed by an accredited executive, was this letter of Feb. 16, 1933:

"Instead of attacking Soviet Russia, we are anxious to appreciate the contributions which it has made and, at the same time, build here in this section of the world an order that has all the values of the one that is being created in the Soviet Union, without sacrifice of other important values."

The names of many officers and members, of the Federal Council of Churches, appeared on the letterhead.

## Federal Council Sex Manual

"A crowning achievement of the Federal Council controlling group along the line of preparing the way for atheistic communism."

Thus, did Gen. Amos A. Fries indict a 67-page pamphlet "Issued under the auspices of the Conference on Preparation for Marriage and Homemaking, instituted by the Federal Council of Churches" and entitled: *Young People's Relationships*.

This filthy and revolting discussion of sex relationships, which was offered as a "Manual for Leaders" of "young people between the ages of 16 and 19", was written by the Rev. B. S. Winchester, of the Federal Council of Churches. Its early editions also carried the names of Dr. Samuel McCrea Cavert and Dr. Worth M. Tippy on the flyleaf.

The Sunday School Times (Philadelphia) of August 13, 1932, editorially discussed the pamphlet, quoted from its pages, and added:

"Many other statements in this sixty-seven page book, 'Young People's Relationships', are so vile that The Sunday School Times would not be willing to print them. Yet the Federal Council of Churches places its imprimatur on the book by having it published under its own auspices . . .

## A MESSAGE!

*Free Christian America—the Christian Church, and the Christian Home—must unite and renew their faith in the God of our fathers, and give courageous, undivided allegiance to our cherished institutions and ideals—that this nation may be preserved—that it shall not perish from the face of the earth.*

*We commend this chart to the American people, and particularly to members of our Protestant Churches who, for lack of knowledge, or on grounds of expediency, have been giving aid and comfort to zealots having fantastic schemes for regimenting the Church, the Home and the Government, in the name of "a new Social Order".*

*Our fervent prayer is for a revival of Americanism, and a return to Religion and Righteousness.*

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